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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional)
In re Application of Wang et al.		
Application Number 10/727,261	Filed 12/2/03	
For RAPID DETECTION OF MICROORGANISMS		
Group Art Unit Not yet assigned	Examiner Not yet assigned	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ <u>110</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ _____ |

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 55.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☒ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 03-0172.

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

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I am the ☐ applicant/inventor

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☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☐ attorney or agent of record.

☒ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) 48,578.

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

June 4, 2004

Date

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Typed or printed name

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☒ Total of 1 forms are submitted.